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REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

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Sir:

The face and claims of the original patent document have been proofread, and the following printing errors were noted:

IN THE CLAIMS

CLAIM 14
Col. 14, Line 1

Replace the word “proximate” with –proximal–.

CLAIM 18
Col. 14, Line 61

Replace the word “at” with –adjacent–.

CLAIM 35
Col. 16, Line 26

Replace the word “proximate” with –proximal–.

REMARKS

The errors noted in Claims 14 and 35 are Applicant's typographical errors, and the error noted in Claim 18 is a printing error made by the Patent Office. Correction is desired for clarification purposes when reading the patent.

A copy of the proposed Certificate of Correction is enclosed herewith. A check in the amount of \$100.00 is enclosed for the fee of filing the Certificate of Correction. No additional fees are believed to be payable with this communication. Nevertheless, should the Examiner consider any additional fees to be payable in conjunction with this or any future communication, the Director is authorized to direct payment of such fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1170.

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Respectfully submitted,



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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

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